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1. SUMMARY. AT AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE JUNE 20,
CLERIDES DESCRIBED "POSITIVE RESULTS" FROM UNSC DEBATE.
HE COMMENTED ON USG POLICY, VIENNA II, AND SANCTIONS
AGAINST TURKEY. HE SAW NO "HOPEFUL" PROSPECTS FOR
VIENNA III. END SUMMARY.

2. ON RETURN TO CYPRUS JUNE 20 CLERIDES SAID "POSITIVE RESULTS" FROM UNSC DEBATE LAY IN: (1) SHOWING THAT TURK SIDE'S PROCRASTINATION HAD DELAYED IMPLEMENTATION OF CYPRUS RESOLUTIONS AND VIENNA TALKS; AND RESOLUTION LANGUAGE WHICH (2) REFERRED TO GOC AND (3) CALLED FOR "IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION" ON UN DECISIONS RE CYPRUS.

3. ANSWERING QUESTIONS, CLERIDES SAID THAT:
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A. USG POLICY. HE SAW NO CHANGE IN STAND OF CON-

RESS RE ARMS TO TURKEY. SECRETARY KISSINGER HAD NOT SET OUT " ANY NEW POLICY" : USG STILL SUPPORTS PEACEFUL SOLUTION BUT DOES NOT PUT FORWARD PROPOSALS, EVEN THOUGH MAKARIOS AT LAST MEETING HAD ASKED SECGRARY TO DO SO. CLERIDES OPINED THAT USG REALIZES NEED TO EXERCISE "CERTAIN PRESSURES" BUT WONDERED WHETHER THEY WOULD BE EFFECTIVE. HE ADDED THAT SUPERPOWERS DO NOT EXERCISE " NECESSARY PRESSURE....BECAUSE OF CONFLICTING INTERESTS."

B. VIENNA II COMMUNIQUE. CLERIDES DISAGREED WITH MAKARIOS COMMENT (REF NICOSIA 1929) THAT COMMUNIQUE " MISLEADING". HE ARGUED ISSUE WAS MATTER OF PROPER INTERPRETATION, NOT SUBSTANCE. LATER, HE ATTRIBUTED VIEW RE "PROGRESS" AT VIENNA II TO UNSYG WALDHEIM.

C. VIENNA III. CLERIDES SAID PROSPECTS "NOT HOPEFUL" IF TURKS REMAIN UNWILLING GIVE VIEWS ON ALL ASPECTS OF CYPRUS PROBLEM. HE SAW NO "POSITIVE INDICATIONS" THIS REGARD; SAID IT "PREMATURE" TO MAKE FORECAST.

D. SANCTIONS. CLERIDES SAID "AT THIS STAGE" UNSC MEMBERS UNABLE AGREE ON SANCTIONS AGAINST TURKEY. DIVERGENCE OF VIEW EXISTS " EVEN AMONG NONALIGNED COUNTRIES."

4. GREEK PRESS FOCUS JUNE 21 WAS ON NEGATIVE REMARKS RE VIENNA III. SEMI-OFFICIAL PHILELEFTHEROS WROTE THAT GOC WILL MAKE MAXIMUM EFFORT AT VIENNA III AND RESORT TO "NEW TACTICS" IF SUCH EFFORT FAILS. COMMUNIST HARAVGHI JUNE 22 PREDICTED SANCTIONS IN OFFING, TOOK CLERIDES TO TASK FOR EQUATING ROLE OF US, USSR (PARA 3A ABOVE).

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